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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**PERPENDICULAR RECORDING HEAD WITH TRACKWIDTH DEFINED BY PLATING THICKNESS**

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto

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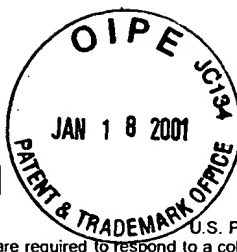
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Supplemental Sheet  
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